

October 2023

Nimmonsburg Witness

Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church

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Engaging our Mission

To Reach, Resource, & Release Disciples of Jesus Christ for Transformation of the World!

One of the most astounding moments in the story of Jesus' time among us is recorded in the Gospel of Luke (Chapter 9:1-17). It is a recounting of Jesus' decision to give his followers a mission and send them out, *without supervision*, to do it. It's the moment in the story when his mission becomes their mission. The flawed, often clueless, disciples Jesus so often rebuked were given care for the people God loves and is seeking to connect with.

As we come back together this fall to deepen our journeys of faith, take some time to think about what the mission of our church means to you. Jesus draws us in to learn, sends us out to practice, and gives us time to reflect. As we walk the path laid out by the first disciples, this rhythm of learning, practicing, and reflecting can help us adopt the mission and own it together. The mission is beautiful, urgent, and important. It is the message of salvation, and it is in our hands. Please take time to think about how you can reach people; gently, respectfully, connect with people to listen to their spiritual journeys and if the door is opened to tell them about God's love.

How are you helping the church resource people maturing in faith, or what resources could we offer that would help you grow? And, what has God set you free to do, to be in the world?



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“Hidden Figures” Movie & Discussion



Sometimes the path to transforming the world begins with transforming ourselves, and we come to our faith community seeking spiritual support. For others of us, the path of expressing our love for God leads us towards holiness. And, the practice of holiness fuels our desire to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. From within or without, the journey can lead us to change work, justice, and peacemaking. Our Church Council presents the first of three *movie discussion events* designed to help participants more clearly identify and have resources to dismantle racism. Mark your calendars for this important event on **November 5th following worship.**

Our October Celebrations



Birthdays:

10/2— Pat Olmstead
10/4— Devin Burish
Madisyn Savage
10/12— Sabina Lindsley
10/13— Rex Decker
10/25— Bruce Kellett
10/27— Will St. John
10/30— Paul Derr
10/31— Finn Hagerman

Anniversaries:

10/2— Erin & Corey Hagerman

***Did we miss your birthday
of anniversary? Please let
Marge know so we don't
miss it again!***



Easy Pumpkin Pie Squares

You will want to serve these easy pumpkin pie squares this fall season. This is the perfect dessert for this time of year.

Crust:

1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1/4 cup white granulated sugar
1/2 cup (1 stick) melted butter

Filling:

3/4 cup white granulated sugar
2 tbsp. cornstarch
2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice*
1 can (15 oz.) pumpkin puree
1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk
2 large eggs



Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Grease bottom and sides of 9 x 13 baking pan with butter.
2. Combine graham cracker crumbs, sugar and melted butter until evenly moistened. Empty into prepared baking pan, press down evenly with a spoon, and bake the crust for 20 minutes.
3. While crust is baking, add sugar, cornstarch and pumpkin pie spice to a large mixing bowl. Whisk until well combined.
4. Add pumpkin puree, evaporated milk and eggs. Whisk until the mixture is smooth.
5. After 20 minutes, remove crust from oven and pour in the pumpkin pie filling. Smooth out and bake for 30-35 minutes. You can tell the squares are ready when the edges are set and the center no longer jiggles if you gently shake the pan.
6. Let squares cool for at least 3 hours. Once cooled, remove from the pan and cut into 12, 16 or 20 squares. If desired, garnish with whipped cream and a sprinkle of pumpkin pie spice. Serve cold or at room temperature. Enjoy.

**If you don't have pumpkin pie spice, make your own by mixing the following:*

1 1/2 t. ground cinnamon; 3/4 t. ground ginger; 1/2 t. ground nutmeg; and 1/8 t. ground cloves



Join your Pastor for a Night of Fun at Dining for Dollars!



Does this look like Pastor Harold?

Come and enjoy an evening of fun as your Pastor serves you dinner and sings for tips to support Faith in Action Volunteers. This “night of fun” includes a delicious meal served to you by your own Pastor, music by Rick Pedro and much more!

Thursday, October 19th at Riverdale Banquet Hall in Endwell
5:30 Social Hour and 6:30 Dinner - \$35 per person
For information or to purchase tickets: 607-724-9130 Ext. 304

Faith in Action is a non-profit network of volunteers helping adults 60 years and over living in Broome County maintain quality of life and independence. Many live alone without family members in the area or access to a vehicle. Our volunteers provide transportation to and from medical appointments, reassurance calls, grocery shopping and much more.

FUN FACTS ABOUT OCTOBER

Shakespeare never mentioned October in any of his plays or sonnets!

Babies born each year during October are thought to be very smart and are usually high achievers.

October and January always start on the same day of the week in common years. In leap years, October doesn't start on the same day of the week as any other month. October and February also always end on the same week day!

October has seen more presidents of the United States born than any other month of the year.

October babies are more likely to live to 100 than those born in many other months! 🍁

The night sky is much clearer in October so it is the perfect time to go stargazing. 🌟



What do you call a witch who lives at the beach?

(A sand-witch)

What do witches put on their bagels?

(Scream cheese)

How do you know that your house is haunted?

(Your sheets are missing!)



Autumn Word Search

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ACORN	FAMILY	SCARECROW
APPLE CIDER	HAYRIDE	SMORES
AUTUMN	LEAVES	TURKEY
BONFIRE	PUMPKIN	THANKS

American Civic Association Refugee Resettlement Fund

As you may know, we have promised to provide some needed financial help to the American Civic Center for their Refugee Resettlement Fund.

The Administrative Board thought the best way we could help would be to **collect funds during Fellowship Time for the month of October**. We are also planning a collection for the Resettlement Fund on the **fifth Sunday in October and the fifth Sunday in December**. Special envelopes will be provided for those Sundays, and extra envelopes are in the Church entryway. You can put your envelopes in the collection plate, or drop them off at the Church Office.



If you have household items you would like to donate to the Civic Center, it is best to give them a call to see what items are currently needed (*needs change daily*). You can contact Farha Naz, Resettlement and Placement Supervisor, at 607-663-1475 or 607-723-9419.

Church Women United



Church Women United will celebrate **Human Rights Day** on Friday, October 6th from 10:00 am to noon at the First Presbyterian Church, 2 Main Street, Johnson City (corner of Main and Floral).

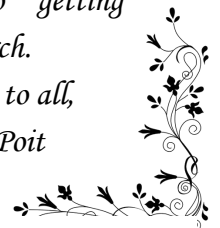
We will be celebrating **World Community Day** on Friday, November 3rd from 10:00 am to noon at Endwell United Methodist Church, 3301 Watson Boulevard, Endwell.

Everyone is welcome to attend!! Bring a friend!! Contact Karen Holman with any questions at holmankl@aol.com.



The flowers are beautiful. I love them so much, and Bill would have loved them too. They certainly put a smile on my face. I look forward to getting back to church.

*My best to all,
Judy Poit*



UWIF Rummage Sale

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The United Women in Faith's **Fall Rummage Sale** will be held on Friday and Saturday, **October 13th and 14th, from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm each day**.

You can bring your items to the lower level of the Church beginning Sunday, October 8th. Please make sure that all of your items are clean and in working order. Our sale has a great reputation for quality.

Please contact Cheryl Weeks at 607-761-5206 if you have any questions.

Upcoming Craft Events



Annual Holiday Boutique
Craft & Vendor Event
Glen Castle UMC
371 Castle Creek RD 13901
Saturday Oct 14, 2023 10a-3p

Paparazzi by Melanie
Miss Margie's Soaps
Crafting with EB
Make a Statement
Lisa Wickins Nature Photography and Cards
Red Hot Crafters
SCENTSY BY KASI
Projects by Sarah
and more...

Be sure to visit our other vendors at the Castle Creek UMC just up the road!

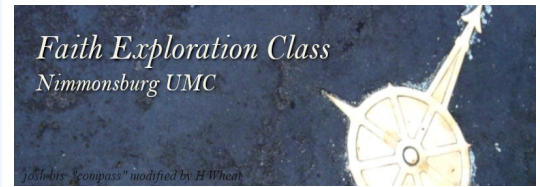


Annual Holiday Boutique
Craft & Vendor Event
Castle Creek UMC
1087 Castle Creek RD 13744
Saturday Oct 14, 2023 10a-3p

UMW Bake Sale **RKC Candles** *UMW Bric-a-Brac*
Little Turtle Soaps

Sew Blessed by the Palmer Sisters
PAPA Rick's Woodworks
KinsKat KReations
Art of Our Minds
Baerpaw Confections & Creations
Made by Sisters
It's the Little Things
Darling Sisters' Plants & Photos
Lunch available for purchase to support our 5 World Vision sponsored children around the globe.
Be sure to visit our other vendors at the Glen Castle UMC just up the road!

Faith Exploration Class

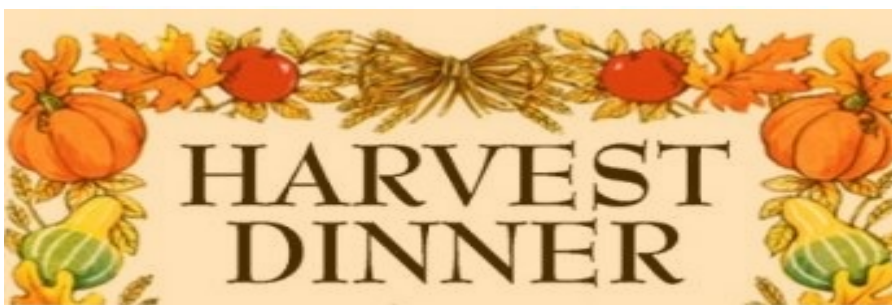


The Basics of Practicing Your Faith in the United Methodist Church

Our Faith Exploration Class will begin on **October 8th at 10:45 am**. This class consists of five 75-minute Class Sessions given by Pastor Harold.

Please sign up on the sheet in the church narthex, or just show up at class!

You can contact Pastor Harold if you have any questions.



When: November 11 from 6 to 8 pm
Where: Fellowship Hall, Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church

NUMC will be *sharing* our **Harvest Dinner** with Pastor Alicia Dixon-Garhard and the Community of Grace Church. Please come join us for delicious food and fellowship.

Everyone is asked to bring a "fall" dish to pass. Beverages will be provided.

This dinner is for Nimmonsburg UMC and Community of Grace members and friends, and is not open to the community.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Go Apple Picking | <input type="checkbox"/> Make Carmel Apples |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Pumpkin Seeds | <input type="checkbox"/> Take Hay Ride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carve Pumpkin | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit Corn Maze |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drink Apple Cider | <input type="checkbox"/> Have a Campfire |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Watch Football | <input type="checkbox"/> Read a Cozy Book |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bake Pumpkin Pie | <input type="checkbox"/> Trick or Treat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eat Pumpkin Bread | <input type="checkbox"/> Make Leaf Bowl |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roast S'mores | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Fall Garden |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Go on Nature Walk | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Bike Ride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Go to a museum | <input type="checkbox"/> Have a Pillow Fight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roast hot dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Send Thank Cards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Start a Fall Journal | <input type="checkbox"/> Take a Scenic Drive |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Make Trail Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Make a bird feeder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Read a Book Outside | <input type="checkbox"/> Decorate a Mug |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Play Dress Up | <input type="checkbox"/> Paint Leaves |



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